

COLORADO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OFFENDER MANAGEMENT BOARD

MEETING MINUTES November 13, 2020

Attendance:

Domestic Violence Board Members Present:

Bradley Burback, Erin Gazelka, Jackie List, Jeanette Barich, Jenifer Morgen, Karen Morgenthaler, Laura Bravo, Lydia Waligorsky (proxy for Brandy Walega), Michelle Hunter, Nancy Olson, Nicole Collins, Nil Buckley, Raechel Alderete, Sandra Campanella, Stephanie Fritts, Tally Zuckerman

Domestic Violence Board Members Absent:

Jennifer Parker, Kristiana Huitrón

Staff Present:

Adrienne Corday, Baylee Hodack, Carolina Thomasson, Chris Lobanov-Rostovsky, Elliot Moen, Jesse Hansen, Marina Borysov

Guests:

Abby Gade, Becky Garinger, Cindy Banks, Jalice Vigil, James Brady, Jennifer Howard, Jessica Meza, Joshua Goldberg, Christina Carrera, Marcella Paiz, Peter Bryan, Sasha Cafaro, Tarikah Dixon

Introductions

The meeting convened online at 9:38am. Jesse Hansen indicated to Nancy Olson (Chair) that a quorum was present. He also noted that the last time the Board met on the occurrence of a Friday falling on the 13th Nancy called the meeting to order.

Nancy asked if there was consensus to approve the November agenda.

There was consensus to approve the November agenda.

Next, the Board reviewed the October minutes. Nancy asked if there was a motion.

Erin Gazelka moved to approve the October minutes. Jennifer Morgen seconded the motion.

There was no further discussion on the October minutes. Nancy asked Elliot to prepare the vote. Elliot reminded public members that only Board members should vote.

The motion passed with thirteen votes to approve, zero votes to object, and one vote to abstain.

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	92.86%	13
No	0.00%	0
Abstain	7.14%	1
Totals	100%	14

Announcements:

- Staff Announcements:
 - Jesse Hansen Announced:
 - The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) has started the Sunset Review process for the Domestic Violence Offender Management Board (DVOMB). The policy analyst assigned for this review is Vivienne Belmont. She is gathering information about the DVOMB and may contact Board members and stakeholders to schedule interviews.
 - For the months of November and December, the Standards Revision Committee will not meet during the regular date and time. Instead, the Standards Revision Committee will meet on December 2nd from 1:00 – 3:00PM.
 - The Department of Human Services (CDHS) has convened a task force to explore systemic issues with domestic violence cases under the jurisdiction of civil courts, specifically those related to child welfare.
 - Online classes are not authorized for meeting domestic violence offender treatment unless their name appears on the Approved Provider List and the Approved Provider has been approved to conduct teletherapy. There are several online programs that falsely advertise themselves as court and state approved.
 - The DVOMB will meet in December for an abbreviated meeting.
 - He and Carolina collaborated in a publication with Dr. Dana Radatz titled: *Domestic Violence Treatment in Colorado: An Overview of an Evidence-based Approach* published in the Partner Abuse Journal.
 - Carolina Thomasson announced:
 - The COVID-19 Telehealth Variances have been extended through January 1, 2021.
 - The DVRNA Booster training is available and a requirement for all Approved Providers.
 - Marina Borysov announced the following updates regarding training events:
 - DVOMB Trainings
 - Online Trainings:
 - DVI03 – December 4th
 - DVI00 Online Training
 - Lunch and Learns
 - December 14th – Section 1.0 Revisions: Implementation & Impact to Parole & Community Corrections, Part 2.

Board Announcements

- Sandra Campanella announced:
 - Carolina Thomasson, Adrienne Vanice, and herself conducted a collaborative approach training regarding domestic violence to law enforcement officers in Fort Collins.
 - On Monday, November 16th, she will be starting a new job at the Boulder County District Attorney's (DA's) office.
- Michelle Hunter announced:
 - That she was promoted to the specialized Supervision Sex Offender Unit within Parole for the Northern region.



- Nancy Olson announced:
 - Nominations for Chairship are still being accepted. She encouraged any Board members who were interested to contact her with questions.

Public Announcements

There were no public announcements.

Future Agenda Items

There were no public announcements.

White Paper: Public Safety Considerations and Policy Implications with Restorative Justice in Domestic Violence Cases: (Handout)

Carolina led this agenda item and asked for feedback regarding the draft Restorative Justice White Paper. She noted this topic was introduced to the Board at the July meeting. Carolina summarized the current work being explored by the Restorative Justice (RJ) Council in using RJ with domestic violence cases. Given this opportunity, Carolina noted that his white paper would serve as the Board’s response to the RJ Council’s request.

Discussion:

- Jackie List announced that she believed the paper was well-written and is a great synthesis of the most prominent concerns. She identified one grammatical change. Jackie noted that she reached out to some of the states that had been previously identified as to implementing RJ with domestic violence cases. She indicated that her contacts were not aware of any present RJ work happening with domestic violence cases.
- Jeanette Barich liked the document and made a few grammatical suggestions to the draft.
- Jesse asked the Board if there was interest in adding an Executive Summary. There was interest from the Board to add a short Executive Summary.
- Laura Bravo asked for clarification about the conclusion around if the Board was going to undertake the role of conducting the future research regarding RJ with domestic violence cases. The language was subsequently modified to indicate the Board would reevaluate the research as it becomes available.
- Public comments expressed concerns about the RJ paper and that marginalized populations are limited in their access justice.
- Lydia responded and indicated that there is a difference between RJ and Transformative Justice.
- Public comments expressed the need to acknowledge the areas where RJ has worked with other populations.
- The Board considered the discussion and public comments made. Nancy asked if a Board member was prepared to make a motion.

Sandra Campanella moved to table this discussion, Erin Gazelka second the motion.

The motion passed with fourteen votes to approve, zero votes to object, and zero votes to abstain.

Responses		
	Percent	Count
Yes	100.00%	14
No	0.00%	0

Abstain	0.00%	0
Totals	100%	14

Nancy stated if anyone has any added suggestions to please reach out to Carolina Thomasson. Carolina thanked the Board for their support and feedback. She indicated that staff would make subsequent revisions based on this feedback.

Revisions to DVOMB Administrative Policies: (Handout)

Jesse Hansen announced and provided a summary of the draft revisions to the DVOMB Administrative Policies Appendix D of the *Standards*. The Application Review Committee (ARC) had reviewed and agreed to the changes. He advised the Board to review these proposed revisions because these would be a voting item at a future Board meeting.

DVOMB Provider Management Record System: Launch and Implementation Updates: (Handout)

Jesse Hansen presented the new DVOMB Provider Data Management System to the Board. He reviewed the purpose, capabilities, features and plans for implementing the new system.

There have been two applications approved within the new Provider Data Management System. As far as next steps, Jesse indicated that the soft launch would continue through the remainder of 2020. Starting in January of 2021, Approved Providers would be noticed about the new system and a staggered implementation process is planned between January and July 2021. The goal is to have nearly 100% of Approved Providers transition to the new system as part of the 2021 Renewal Application process.

There was a question if the new system would accept payments for the applications. Jesse indicated that payments are not currently accepted through the new system. However, future developments will hopefully add that capability.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 12:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Adrienne Corday

Individual Voting Results

Active Participants	Total Participants		
14	15		
Last Name	First Name	Motion 1	Motion 2
Walega	Brandy	Proxy	Proxy
Burback	Bradley	1	1
Gazelka	Erin	1	1
List	Jackie	1	1
Barich	Jeanette	1	1
Morgen	Jenifer	1	1
Parker	Jennifer	NP	NP
Morgenthaler	Karen	1	1
Huítrón	Kristiana	NP	NP
Laura	Bravo	1	1
Hunter	Michelle	1	1
Olson	Nancy	1	1
Collins	Nicole	3	1
Buckley	Nil	1	1
Alderate	Raechel	NP	1
Campanella	Sandra	1	1
Fritts	Stephanie	1	1
Zuckerman	Tally	1	NP

Voting Legend
 1 = Yes
 2 = No
 3 = Abstain
 NP = Not Present At the Time of Vote

Motion 1: Erin Gazelka moved to approve the October minutes. Jennifer Morgen seconded the motion.

Motion 2: Sandra Campanella moved to table this discussion, Erin Gazelka second the motion.